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Applicant: Raymond E. Ideker et al.

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Examiner: Jeffrey R. Jastrzab

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PASSIVE CARDIAC STIMULATION

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed May 4, 2004 issued in connection with the above-identified application, please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 1-14 and 26-40, drawn to the method of stimulating, classified in class 6-7, subclass 9.
- II. Claims 15-25, drawn to the conductor, classified in class 607, subclass 122.
- III. Claims 41-44, drawn to the method of stimulating with a biologically generated current, classified in class 607, subclass 2.